

Arboretum News

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TROPICAL FOREST

*Preserve the Past, Enjoy the Present
and Educate for the Future*

*A snake palm, cycads, a redwood grove, a
mudflat, Baldwin Lake and waterfowl ...*

Find all of these, and more, in an area devoted to experimental plantings of trees and associated plants native to tropical regions around the world.

The Tropical Forest

The Tropical Forest is a showcase for many plants endangered because tropical forest habitat is being vastly reduced by the activities of humans.

In our Forest area, the Tropical Forest exhibit features a variety of wild figs, palms, philodendrons, cycads and massed plantings of colorful herbaceous plants and shrubs. Included here are economically important plants such as the Taro, which are staples of life in various tropical areas. Palms are also tapped for sugary sap to make a fermented drink or simple-to-make-sugar. The tops of these palms can be cut out and worked into starch for food preparation. Also, the fruits are often edible and are the source of important waxes and oil. Epiphytes, plants that use other plants for support, but not for food, lurk camouflaged on branches, stumps and tree trunks.

Does anyone want to guess about the origin of the snake palm? Does it have a sense of humor? There is no wrong or right answer. Perhaps if we had been around to see it sprout and known all about its growing conditions we would know. 🐍

*Visitors will appreciate the
central pond as it reflects the
essential role that water plays in
sustaining tropical forests and life
everywhere. A collection of
floating, emergent and submerged
water plants contrast with the
terrestrial vegetation surrounding it.*

Attention Members between the ages of 9 and 12

There is no right or wrong answer to the origin of the snake palm. This gives you a chance to put your brains and your imaginations to work. Send your answer to Angie Alonso Troncone in the Foundation office. Keep your writing under 125 words. Draw a picture if you want. The selected explanations will be published in the Fall newsletter.



Summertime at the Arboretum

I would like to thank all the members who sent cards and inquiries about my health during my illness this Spring. Your concern was truly appreciated and I am glad to be back at The Arboretum.

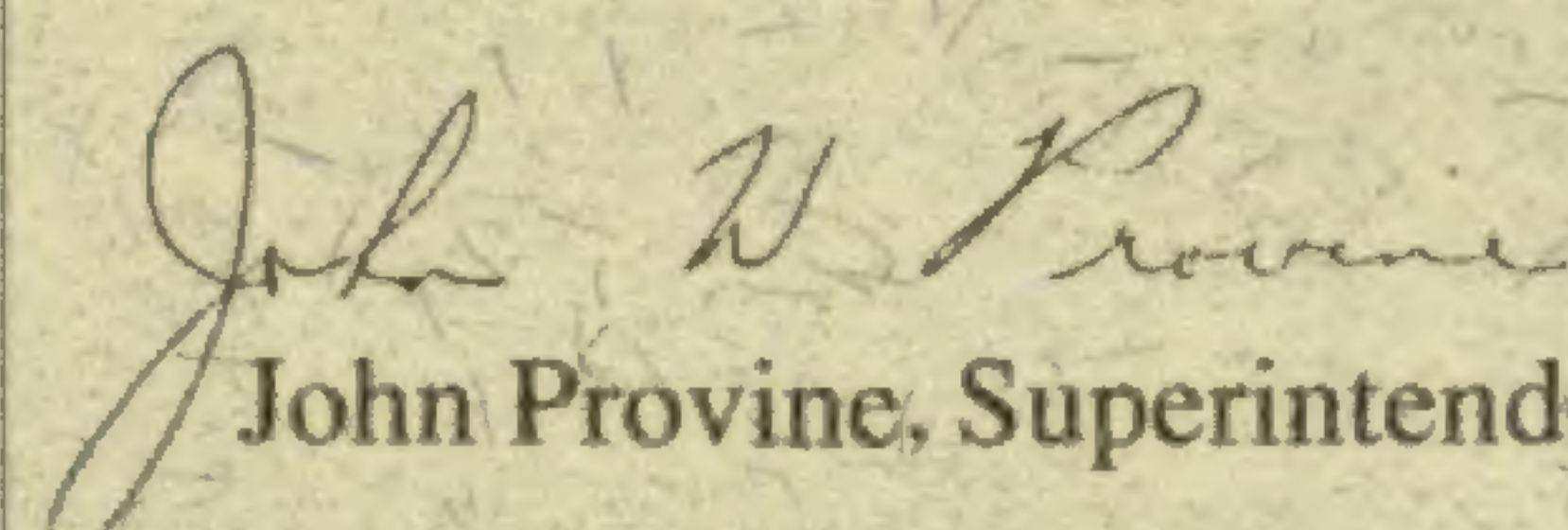
The Arboretum has always been a place you can visit and enjoy by yourself or with your family. Now you can visit the Tropical Forest and the Herb Garden where you and your family can participate in activities together.

Have you been out to The Arboretum Herb Garden lately? If you have not take

the time to visit soon. The Arboretum staff has developed a wonderful relationship between the volunteers and Casa Colina in maintaining and developing the Herb Garden. If you visit Wednesday Mornings you can see everyone working together, weeding, planting, watering and planning for future development.

The latest development in the Herb Garden will be the children's Garden which opens on June 30th. This garden is designed for children ages six through fourteen to entertain them and to help to

develop an appreciation for plants. The garden consists of five parts; Path of Senses, The Petting Zoo, Giving Plants, Wild and Crazy, and Old Fashioned Flowers. The idea for this children's garden came from Jim Bauml, Senior Biologist, and it was developed with Paul Alderson of Casa Colina. Bring your children or grandchildren and watch them experience the five new gardens. ■


John Provine, Superintendent

FROM THE FOUNDATION

Change

CHANGE: The natural world does it effortlessly, season to season. It is a cycle we appreciate and expect. Perhaps even a subtle reason why we value The Arboretum, because it is a non-threatening reminder that change happens, and, that within each change, when we take time to notice, there is benefit.

Change has been a serious topic for The Foundation this past fiscal year. Concerned about the County Board deliberations around its departmental operating budgets, including our own Parks and Recreation, we have considered seriously what change the shrinking tax dollar would have on The Arboretum. More particularly, we have considered what new role the Foundation should play on behalf of our botanic institution.

In most large municipalities, local governments are calling upon the private sector to provide funding and support to its cultural institutions. It is not by coincidence, that major botanic gardens with public/private operating agreements present a more stable future for those dependent on public tax dollar support alone.

Our Foundation Trustees know that The Arboretum Foundation can continue to provide the fiscal and program resources to sustain The Arboretum as a viable asset. The Foundation Trustees, developed for county consideration, a management partnership agreement whereby The Arboretum will continue to serve the people of Los Angeles County, and beyond, as a precious resource for early California history, open space, beauty, and scientific botanical research.

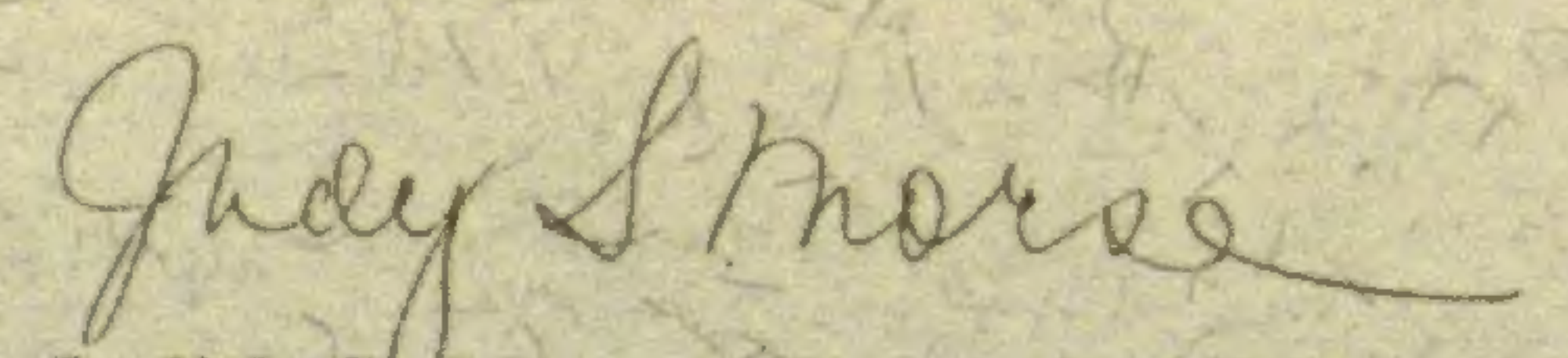
The proposed agreement is about change. It offers opportunity; to serve the public in a variety of new ways; to augment the research function of The Arboretum; opportunity for fund development around both capital and educational needs; opportunity to plan and to implement; an opportunity to enhance the work of the Superintendent and his staff in their specialized areas.

In 1948, The Foundation was incorporated to develop and manage a new arboretum. Management was transferred to the county five years later through the creation of a new county department of

arboreta and botanic gardens. In superintendent George Spalding's history of the Arboretum, "The First Twenty-Five Years," he writes that "there had been some discussion of putting the operation under the county's park department, but the persuasive argument that The Arboretum is a specific scientific and educational institution, and not a park, convinced the board of Supervisors that a new department would serve the best interests of the community."

In 1992, that department was established and administration transferred to the large Department of Parks and Recreation.

The Arboretum's forty-seven year history is full of change. Each change has been a response to the issues and needs of the institution at a particular moment in time. What The Foundation presents in its current proposal will secure for The Arboretum a future of opportunity, service, and growth. ■


Judith S. Morse, Executive Director

WITH DALE WITT Senior Gardener

Dale Witt's baby sitter studied landscape gardening and his great-great-grandfather was Senior Gardener for the famed and prestigious Annandale Country Club in Pasadena.

Dale, Senior Gardener at The Arboretum, also toured every possible garden during his teen years. "I knew at an early age that I wanted to become a



horticulturist in a public garden that emphasized appealing and educational landscape displays. My position here far exceeds my boyhood dreams," said Dale in a recent interview.

Dale, a 1979 graduate of Cal Poly Pomona, with a degree in Landscape Architecture, was drawn away from his architecture and drafting courses when he realized the importance of making outdoor spaces to illustrate how plants can be used in unusual and creative ways.

Following another dream, Dale spent the summer of 1984 in England as a student at Cambridge University. His studies covered landscape and garden history from 1600 to 1900.

Dale began his work at The Arboretum in 1987, and assumed the responsibilities of his current position in 1990. He was recently honored for his Outstanding Contributions to The Arboretum.

"There are too many reasons why it is important to me to be here to relate," said Dale, "but one is definitely that I appreciate the opportunities to see various projects through to maturity. The Tropical Forest, opening on Friday, June 30, is a good example." 🌿

WITH OTTO AND JEANNINE KIERTZNER, Baldwin Bonanza Plant Sale Co-Chairs

Co-chairs of the 25th Anniversary of the Baldwin Bonanza Plant Sale, Otto and Jeannine are pleased at the amount of support given to the event by the community and by the more than 150 volunteers who worked our plant sale weekend.

Volunteers for just one year, they have observed that The Arboretum is now more beautiful than ever before. As long time supporters of The Arboretum, the Kiertznerns and their two boys, Mark and Eric, have spent many enjoyable days visiting the grounds.

Wanting to volunteer more in the community, the Kiertznerns were enthusiastic when they learned from a friend at church about the volunteer opportunities at The Arboretum. "We have enjoyed The Arboretum for many years. After learning



about the volunteer program, Otto and I enrolled in the volunteer training course," said Jeannine Kiertznern. Currently, Otto and Jeannine are working as both docents and as history preservationists.

The two met while Jeannine was attending Mark Keppel High School in Alhambra and were introduced by Otto's brother, who was a choir member with Jeannine. Otto had already graduated from high school and was attending John Muir Junior College. They dated for three years before they were married in 1950.

Grandparents to grandson, Alden, the Kiertznerns look forward to sharing the beauty of The Arboretum with him. 🌿

WITH PAMELA HAMES, President of Los Voluntarios

Armed with an abundance of energy and enthusiasm, Pamela Hames welcomes the challenges that accompany her new role as



President of Los Voluntarios.

"One of my goals as President will be to keep communication between the California Arboretum Foundation and Los Voluntarios open," says Pam. "so we can continue to work together to achieve our common goals."

Prior to becoming a volunteer, Pam spent many years as an educator, specializing in working with students with special learning needs. Her love of children, gardening and the need to educate is evident when she tours school children at The Arboretum. "Although children always marvel at the sight of a peacock," says Pam "they become even more enthralled with the knowledge of where vegetables come from, how they grow and the steps of pollination."

A volunteer for The Arboretum since 1991, Pam has served on several committees: Historical, Queen Anne Flower Arranging and Building Preservation, Plant Information and Field Leader Committees. For the past two years, Pam has served as First Vice President of Los Vols.

Pam and Foster, her husband of 45 years, and also a volunteer at The Arboretum, share a love of plants and gardening. They also enjoy hiking, swimming and traveling. Currently, they are both preparing for their month long trip to Austria at the end of August. 🌿

MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES

CALIFORNIA ARBORETUM FOUNDATION MEMBERS

1995 ANNUAL MEETING

Wednesday, June 7, 1995
4:00 p.m.

Location: Shady Area Surprise
Refreshments
& Free Plant

Please respond by
June 5th by calling
818-447-8207.

Member's Only Travel Program – THE COLOR OF AUTUMN IN ALASKA

Witness spectacular changes as autumn paints the vast Alaskan landscape crimson and copper. Your guide, **Dr. Robert Haller**, emeritus professor from the University of California, Santa Barbara, and manager of the travel program at the Santa Barbara Botanic Garden will share with you his knowledge and enthusiasm of Alaska's remarkable plant communities. For more information call tour coordinator at 800/682-6191.

Are you tired of giving the same old tie and pen set for Father's Day and Graduation Day? A Gift membership coupled with a T-shirt or cap from the Gift Shop, is a unique and fun gift for the Dad or Grad in your life!

DISCOVER THE ARBORETUM

Take time to enjoy

- the Victorian Rose Garden in its second summer of lush bloom.
- your newly purchased plants from the 25th Baldwin Bonanza Plant Sale.
- the Garden Show that makes its return in October of this year.
- the memorial benches that have been carefully placed by their donors for you to enjoy a favorite spot in the garden.
- the official opening of the Tropical Forest on June 30th.
- the crape myrtles with their hot summer color blooms.
- your own hidden nook that can be discovered on 127 acres of The Arboretum.
- As a member of the Foundation you may enjoy the garden before all others! Gates open for members at 8:00 a.m. and what a perfect time to enjoy the early morning serenity of this garden oasis. Take advantage of this wonderful membership benefit while reaping healthful benefits as well!

"WELCOME TO THE GARDENS" Discover a garden oasis on the NEW MEMBER TOUR conducted by SUPERINTENDENT OF THE

ARBORETUM, John Provine.

An invitation will be mailed to all new members.

**MEMBERS WHO
HAVE NOT BEEN ON
A NEW MEMBER
TOUR MAY CALL
THE FOUNDATION
OFFICE FOR
RESERVATIONS.**



The Foundation welcomes three NEW nurseries to our discount program. The following nurseries give a 10% discount to Foundation Members (sale items excluded) – Just in time for summer planting.

NEW Altadena Nursery 1968 N. Lake Avenue Altadena	Roger's Gardens 2301 San Joaquin Hills Corona del Mar
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Plant System 2552 Hyperion Avenue Silverlake	Stewart Orchids 3838 Sepulveda Blvd. Culver City
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MEMBERSHIP FORM

**Upgrade your membership today.....
invite a friend to join!**

Please begin my membership
at the following level:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual | \$30 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Individual | \$25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Couple | \$40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Couple | \$30 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family | \$50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining | \$100 |

Name _____

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Make checks payable and send to:
California Arboretum Foundation
301 North Baldwin, Arcadia, CA 91007

AMEX
MC/VISA# _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

Total Membership Payment \$ _____

Gardens for Children at the Arboretum

"Gardens for Youth: Nourishing Mind, Body and Heart" is the theme of the Third Annual National Symposium on Youth Gardening sponsored by the American Horticultural Society (AHS). Co-planned by the California Arboretum Foundation, this is the first AHS National Symposium held on the West Coast. Event activities are June 27 - 29, at the Pasadena Conference Center and June 30, at The Arboretum.

The 1995 symposium is focused on how plants, gardens, educational

gardening programs, and child-oriented landscapes enhance the intellectual, physical and emotional development of children and youth. Last year more than 450 people attended the sold-out annual symposium planned for educators, horticulturists, botanical garden and arboreta staff, child development and education researchers, and other concerned adults.

Friday, June 30, at The Arboretum features speaker Dr. Gary Nabhan, author of the recently published The Geography of Childhood, as well as workshops and Children's Gardens.

The registration fee is \$285.

Please contact the AHS directly for registration information at 1-800-777-7931. 🌱



Queen Anne Fountain Restored

Following years of fund raising efforts on the part of the Los Voluntarios History Preservation Committee, "Lucky" Baldwin's old granite-bordered artesian fountain in front of the Queen Anne Cottage has been given new life.

Although the lowered water table in the Raymond Basin precludes the original artisan functioning of the fountain, a new pump and a custom naturalized fiberglass liner make possible a re-creation of the fountain described in the Pacific Rural Press in 1885 as "throwing water six feet above the ground in a large volume."

The original foundation and drain pipes of the Baldwin-era fountain have been preserved under the fiberglass and the traditional ambiance of a cottage surrounded on all sides by water has returned.

Kudos to Jeff Baker for his creative fiberglass custom work; to Denny Akins, retired County electrician, for back breaking work installing a new electrical conduit through old drain lines; and to Chris Kidd who volunteered his plumbing expertise five years ago to get the project off the ground. 🌱

On Location

The expansive grass area near Bauer Pool is a favorite for helicopter landings. The latest landing was, The American President filmed this Spring. Kids Song attracted the attention of the younger set, and Miss Universe and Miss USA taped in the South African section near the blooming aloes. The natural beauty of the setting is in demand by location managers. Visit often during the summer too. You never know who or what you may see. And watch for The Arboretum in commercials and catalogs. If you think it is, it probably is. 🌱

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A Garden Oasis

Twilight Time – Tour and Taste

Summer 1995

During the summer, The Arboretum assumes a unique beauty as the day cools and closes down with sunsets of magnificent color and majesty. Twilight is a magical time to visit the garden and ideal for the Tour and Taste experience.

Tour and Taste '95 offers four different twilight programs led by Arboretum specialists for a focused look at particular parts of the garden. Following each tour, we adjourn to the Peacock Cafe terrace for dinner al fresco as the sun is setting followed by a make your own sundae bar.

Each unique Tour and Taste is \$20 per person. A special price of \$75 is available for subscription to all four evenings. Beer and wine will be available. Please make your reservations early using the reservation form in this newsletter, because space is limited. The attire is casual, and some walking is involved.

What a great way to treat yourself and friends to a special summer evening!

WOODLAND TOUR

Thursday, July 13, 6 p.m.

Dale Witt, Senior Gardener, will take us through the Asiatic and Northeast American Forest region. Recently "released" from overgrown material, this hidden treasure hosts many hardwoods, maples and viburnums. Dinner features Beef Kabobs.

TROPICAL GREENHOUSE TOUR

Thursday, July 27, 6 p.m.

Earl Ross, Senior Gardener, will speak on the collection of orchids and exotic plants in the Tropical Greenhouse. Earl has collected plants from around the globe. Some of his adventures sound like "Raiders of the Lost Ark" tales! After learning about this world-class collection, we will sit down to a Hawaiian Glazed Chicken dinner.



COACH BARN TOUR

Thursday, August 10, 6 p.m.

Sandy Snider, Associate Curator of History, will turn back the clock as she takes us through Lucky Baldwin's Coach Barn, including the second floor (normally closed to the public) where special artifacts are stored. This magnificent Victorian structure features several coaches and equipment for the horse drawn vehicles of the day.

Sandy's facts are always told in an engaging storytelling style. Just as Baldwin himself enjoyed cookouts, our dinner will feature Barbecued Chicken.

GUIDED TRAM TOUR OF THE ARBORETUM

Thursday, August 24th, 6 p.m.

John Provine, Superintendent of The Arboretum, will give his own unique tram tour of the garden, which he has tended for more than 30 years. Having watched seedlings grow into trees and garden exhibits develop and mature, his knowledge of the garden's history is incomparable. After the tour, a delectable Lemon Herb Glazed Chicken dinner will be served.

Baldwin Bonanza XXV

A Success Story

Baldwin Bonanza XXV was a true example of the collective spirit of Arboretum supporters, a weekend to celebrate 25 years of participation by California Arboretum Foundation members and Arboretum volunteers, as they continue to jointly carry the mission



of The Arboretum *to foster the enjoyment and conservation of living plants and trees, and to serve as a center for gardening information, as a site of historical interest as a wildlife sanctuary.* Each person who lends support to the Foundation programs and events assists in a big way to keep this educational and horticultural garden serving its

true purpose. This year more young people than ever brought their children to the plant sale with dream gardens firmly in mind. They went home with their plants making some of their dreams come true, thanks to Baldwin Bonanza. At the auction party there was much competition among the excited bidders with a victorious Gino Roncelli taking the trip to Atlanta, and Veva McKee winning the chance to be the best "walk on" star any movie ever had. Our MC Ed Arnold, back for his second year, kept the auction action

going, making it a grand night to honor our past Bonanza chairmen, a grand night for memories, and a grand night for The Arboretum. 🌿



New Look at The Arboretum

Take note ... THE ARBORETUM of Los Angeles County has a new logo.

The logo committee with representation from both the California Arboretum

Foundation and County Department of Parks and Recreation staff,

worked with Paglierani Design to produce a logo that would reflect

the botanical, historical and educational side of The Arboretum. With these elements in mind, the new logo was born.



ARBORETUM EVENTS

Arboretum Events other than those sponsored by the California Arboretum Foundation.

Unless otherwise stated all events are in Ayres Hall and are open from 9 am to 4:30 pm.

Saturday, June 10, 1 pm – 4:30 pm

Sunday, June 11, 9 am – 4 pm

Lecture Hall A

Southern California Gladiolus Society and Floralia Guild Exhibition

Saturday & Sunday, June 10 & 11

National Fuchsia Society Show

Saturdays and Sundays, July 8 - Aug. 13

South African Section,

4:30 pm performances begin

Shakespeare's "As You Like It"

Saturday, July 8 through Sunday, July 16

California Art Club Show

Sunday, July 23

California Checker Car Club Show

Saturday & Sunday, August 19 & 20

Long Beach, Los Angeles & San Gabriel

Valley Cactus & Succulent Societies Show

Saturday, Sunday & Monday, Sept. 2, 3 & 4

Los Angeles International Fern Society

Need Gifts for the Dads and Grads in Your Life? Find Them at The Arboretum

QUESTION: Do you know what an "ARBORETUM" is?

ANSWER: Buy one of our many NEW emblematic items featuring our brand new logo and the dictionary definition of "arboretum" on them and you'll find out.

- Arboretum T-Shirt with new logo and definition
- Arboretum Baseball Cap
- Arboretum Canvas Tote Bags, red or white
- Arboretum Mugs
- Queen Anne Mug

The new collection will make a terrific gift for Father's Day or Graduation. How about throwing in a one-year membership to The Arboretum along with the T-Shirt or new Arboretum Mug? Memberships are available in the Gift Shop.

BOOK IDEAS FROM THE STACKS

Elias Jackson "Lucky" Baldwin,

California Visionary

by Snider \$12.95

(For people who love all the facts and details)

Lucky Baldwin, The Story of Unconventional Success

by Glasscock \$14.95

(Very colorful and a bit more mythical than the book above)

Exceptional Trees of Los Angeles

by Hodel \$14.95

Published by the California Arboretum Foundation

Insects of the Los Angeles Basin

By Hogue \$27.50

Published by The Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County

NEW

The Nature of California, An Introduction to Common Plants and Animals and Natural Attractions

by Kavanagh \$16.50

NEW

Sunset Western Garden Book,

The "BIBLE" of Garden Books
\$24.95 paperback

Southern California Gardening,

A month-by-month guide

by Welsh \$19.95

(A "must have" garden title)

NEW

The Newlywed Cookbook

by Welsh \$6.50

(A great gift for a bridal shower)

NEW

More Recipes from a Kitchen Garden

by Shepherd \$11.95

Published by Shepherd's Garden Seeds

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Judith S. Morse, Executive Director of the California Arboretum Foundation, expresses her appreciation for funding of the Green City Grant, to Michael Morphy (L) President, Oak Tree Foundation, and Ted Eng (R) Vice President, Oak Tree Foundation.

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Summer Arboretum Interns Seek Housing

Robert Castle from Maple, Wisconsin and Rachel Forester from Charlottesville, Virginia will be visiting The Arboretum for ten weeks, starting June 5 through August 11, participating in The Arboretum student intern program sponsored by the California Arboretum Foundation.

Hosting our visiting interns is one of the "perks" of Foundation membership. If anyone is interested, please contact Tim Lindsay, Assistant Superintendent of The Arboretum at 818-821-3236. 🌻

The Los Angeles Garden Show at
 THE ARBORETUM of Los Angeles County

GARDENS OF OUR WORLD

Havens of the Hemisphere

October 18 through October 22

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Daily

Adults, prior to opening day, \$5

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SUMMER EVENTS/CLASSES

JUNE *Discover The Arboretum*

Wednesday, June 7
**CALIFORNIA ARBORETUM
FOUNDATION MEMBERS'
ANNUAL MEETING**
4 pm

For information call the Foundation office
at (818) 447-8207.

Wednesday, June 14
**WEDNESDAY MORNINGS:
PROPAGATION WORKSHOP**
Mary Foote, Arboretum
Propagation Specialist
P.I. Greenhouse, 10:30 a.m. – noon

Using techniques acquired from years of
experience, Mary will demonstrate success-
ful ways to grow plants from seeds and
cuttings and show how selected soil mixes,
humidity control and timing of transplanting
contribute to successful propagation.

Reservations Requested
Members: \$8; Non-members: \$10

Saturday, June 17
FOUR SEASONS OF HERBS
Paul Alderson, Herb Specialist –
Casa Colina
Herb Garden, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

As the summer solstice approaches, the
Quarterly Herb Series will focus on
summer annuals like basil and savory.
Learn in-the-garden techniques of
harvesting and summer care of herbs.
Herb lunch included.

Enrollment Limited/Registration Required
Members: \$10; Non-members: \$13

Saturday, June 24
**SUNSET WESTERN
GARDEN BOOK and CD-ROM**
Kathleen Brenzel, Senior Editor for
Sunset Western Garden Book
Ayres Hall
10:30 am "New Plants for the
California Garden"

11:30 am Presentation on CD-ROM
12 noon to 1:30 pm Hands-on CD-ROM

Gardening joins the Computer Age!! A day
to learn about the newly published Sunset
Western Garden Book and its companion
CD-ROM. Kathleen Brenzel, senior
editor for the 40th anniversary edition of
this gardening bible, will show slides of
new plants she encountered while
working on the book. At 11:30 a.m. an
expert from Sunset's New Media
Division will give a half-hour presenta-
tion on the CD-ROM after which time
there will be an opportunity for hands-
on, play time using the CD-ROM and
computer. Both book and CD-ROM will
be available for purchase.

Reservations Requested /No Fee

JULY *Garden Oasis*

Mondays, July 10 – August 14
BOTANICAL WATERCOLOR
Pat Brame, Nature Illustrator
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., 6 weeks
Lecture Hall A

Using fresh flowers from the Garden,
students will practice botanical illustra-
tion from pencil sketch to full color. Pat
will give step-by-step instruction to both
beginning and advanced students.
Materials list will be given at first class.

Enrollment Limited/Registration Required
Members: \$50; Non-members: \$63

NEW!

Wednesday, July 12 – August 16
**SUMMER GARDEN
THOUGHTS**

Jan Smithen, Horticultural Instructor
9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., 6 weeks
Lecture Hall A

Enjoy early morning adventure walks to
Arboretum exhibits, slides of lovely
gardens, snippets of garden history and
learn about Bearded Iris, sunflowers, other
specialties of summer and much more.

Enrollment Limited/Registration Required
Members: \$60; Non-members: \$75

Thursday, July 13
TOUR AND TASTE THURSDAYS
Dale Witt, Senior Gardener
Tram Stop, 6 p.m.

We continue our tradition of Tour and
Taste Thursdays exploring the woodlands
from Asia and Northeast America.
Following the tour, return to the Peacock
Cafe for a simply unique sunset dinner.

Reservations Required
\$20/person for each evening
\$75/person for series of all four evenings

Fridays, July 14 – August 18
IKEBANA

Reiko Kawamura, Ohara School Instructor
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., 6 weeks
Lecture Hall A

In this popular workshop you learn about
Japanese cultural traditions while practicing the
techniques of Moribana, Keiko, and landscape
arrangements. Individual instruction is given
to all students. Bring a 10" to 12" shallow
container, clippers, a needle holder (minimum
3" round or rectangular). Fresh plant material
is provided for each level of student.

Enrollment Limited/Registration Required
Material fee: \$22 to be paid to instructor
Members: \$50; Non-members: \$63

SUMMER EVENTS/CLASSES

NEW!

Saturdays, July 15 - 29

BASIC FLOWER ARRANGING

Dorothyjean Spoelstra, Judge, National Council of State Garden Clubs

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., 3 weeks

Lecture Hall A

Discover the potential of plant material from your own garden for creating lovely arrangements. Students will work with a different style container in each of the three sessions. Students to bring own plant material and container. Upon registration a materials list will be sent.

Enrollment Limited/Registration Required

Members: \$25; Non-members: \$30



Thursday, July 27

TOUR AND TASTE THURSDAYS

Earl Ross, Senior Gardener & Orchid Specialist

Rotunda, 6 p.m.

Travel to the tropics via The Arboretum's unique orchid collection. Walk back to Peacock Cafe for dinner on the Terrace.

Reservations Required

\$20/person for each evening

\$75/person for series of four evenings

AUGUST Garden Oasis

Thursday, August 10

TOUR AND TASTE THURSDAYS

Sandy Snider, Associate Curator of History

Tram Stop, 6 p.m.

A rare opportunity to explore the Coach Barn and especially to examine the historic artifacts

stored on the second floor. Ride back to the Peacock Cafe for a sunset dinner.

Reservations Required

\$20/person for each evening

\$75/person for series of four evenings

Thursday, August 24

TOUR AND TASTE THURSDAYS

John Provine, Superintendent of the Garden
Tram Stop, 6 p.m.

After more than thirty years at The Arboretum, John Provine has many stories to tell. Following the tour of the garden by tram, relax at dinner on the Peacock Cafe Terrace.

Reservations Required

\$20/person for each evening

\$75/person for series of four evenings

REGISTRATION

ADULT CLASSES

7/10-8/14 Botanical Watercolors

members @ \$50 non-members @ \$63 \$

7/12-8/16 Summer Garden Thoughts

members @ \$60 non-members @ \$75 \$

7/14-8/18 Ikebana

members @ \$50 non-members @ \$63 \$

7/15-7/29 Basic Flower Arranging

members @ \$25 non-members @ \$30 \$

EVENTS

6/17 Four Seasons of Herbs

members @ \$10 non-members @ \$13 \$

6/24 Sunset Demonstration

members non-members NO FEE

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

6/14 Propagation Workshop

members @ \$8 non-members @ \$10 \$

TOUR AND TASTE

7/13, 7/27, 8/10, 8/24 Series

reservations @ \$75 for four evenings \$

7/13 Woodland Tour

reservations @ \$20 per person \$

7/27 Tropical Greenhouse

reservations @ \$20 per person \$

8/10 Coach Barn

reservations @ \$20 per person \$

8/24 Tram Tour

reservations @ \$20 per person \$

Total Enclosed \$

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

All classes require advance reservations. All registrations must be made by mail and be accompanied by a check for the full amount.*Returned check policy: \$10 fee.

Acknowledgements:

Tickets will not be issued. Your name will appear on a pre-paid list at event.

Information:

The Foundation Office is open M-F, 9am-4:30pm, 818-447-8207.

Cancellations:

All fees are non-refundable. Classes may be canceled due to low enrollment, in which case fees will be fully refunded.

Please return completed registration form with your check to:
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Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Signature _____



Because we live in one, my peachicks and I set aside at least fifteen minutes - or so each week to study the history of gardens. I commenced to worry upon learning that with the collapse of the Western Roman Empire gardens and garden art dwindled to such an extent that we may say, without exaggeration, that they virtually disappeared.

My chicks and I fluttered our feathers as we discovered that great gardens were unheard of in the west for seven or eight hundred years following the collapse of the Empire.

Noting the adverse effect of this line of thought on my little family, I immediately turned their brains to brighter images such as our spare time dashes and flashes.

This raised their spirits, and completely revived our collective confidence in the future of our own Arboretum digs.

Several times over the last several weeks I have scooped the little ones up from the Roots and Shoots gardens to attend a meeting of the Baldwin Bonanza Auction and Plant Sale committee. I bid on the trip to Atlanta. Imagine the amazement of the gardeners at the Atlanta Botanical Garden should I turn up as part of the tour! After the meetings we usually visited Terry Bible at the Gift Shop, purchasing carrying bags

sporting the new Arboretum logo and browsing. It touched this mother's nerves to observe the large numbers of school children, all after Peacock feathers. The chicks and I hid behind the SUNSET Garden books. Our feathers aren't that attractive, but it does give one pause. Mr. Peacock never gives it a thought, and I do admire that in him.

My family came home with Cache Pots and special roses, each rose with instructions for their care, from Baldwin Bonanza XXV plant sale. I am tethered to a day and night vigil of the roses. The peachicks may have to go to camp. The thing of it is, in addition to watching over my Mevrouw Nathalie Nyples and Climbing La France, I will chair some of the committees at the Los Angeles Garden Show in October. My dance card is full right here at The Arboretum. And I'll keep right on dancing to prevent the collapse of my Empire. 🌹



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